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      ii. ☐ Other _____

   b. ☒ Enclosed

      i. ☐ Amendment/Reply   iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

      ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)   iv. ☐ Other _____

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   a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)

   b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees**   The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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      i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)

      ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17)

      iii. ☐ Other _____

   b. ☐ Check in the amount of $_____ enclosed

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